Examination and payment.

purpose for which the debt was contracted and also whether evidenced by note and if so, the present holder thereof. The statements herein provided for shall be filed with the road commission and spread upon the minutes thereof and thereupon it shall be the duty of the road commission to ascertain whether the statements so filed are correct, and if found correct, then it shall be the duty of said road commission to cause all just debts of the road funds of the several townships which have been legally contracted under the authority of law to be paid out of the taxes collected or to be collected for the year one thousand nine hundred and ten, within the road district in which such township is located; or if such taxes be not sufficient to pay said debts, then the balance shall be paid out of the road taxes to be collected in the road districts within which such township is located for the year one thousand nine hundred and twelve and all taxes collected under this act shall be subject for use in the payment of all just debts contracted by legal authority under the provisions of chapter four hundred and twenty-two, Public Laws of one thousand nine hundred and nine, and until all such debts have been fully paid. SEC. 52. Any member of the road commission, superintendent of

Frauds declared misdemeanor.

roads, county engineer, overseer, foreman or other employee of the road commission who shall withhold any moneys collected or received by him for the road fund, or who shall render a false account to the road commission, or who shall pay or cause to be paid any false or fictitious claim out of the road fund, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined or imprisoned, in the discretion of the court. If any superintendent of roads, engineer, overseer, foreman or other employee of the road commission shall willfully file any false account with said road commission, or make any false statement in reference thereto, or procure or aid in the procuring of any money upon a false or fictitious claim in relation to the road work, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined or imprisoned, in the discretion of the

Punishment. Further enumeration.

Punishment.

Interest of officers in contracts or purchases forbidden. court.

Sec. 53. It shall be unlawful for any member of the road commission, superintendent of roads, county engineer, overseer, foreman or any other employee of the road commission, or any other person who shall hold any fiduciary or official relation in connection with the duties imposed by this act, to be interested either directly or indirectly in any contract, undertaking or matter in which the public roads are concerned as provided in this act, and it shall be unlawful for any member of the road commission, superintendent of roads, county engineer, overseer, foreman or other employee of the road commission, or for any firm or corporation in which such member of the road commission, superintendent of roads, ocunty engineer, overseer, foreman or other employee of the road commission is interested, either as partner, stockholder or otherwise, to